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Ms. Sharon Stohrer
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Re: Upper North Fork Feather River Hydroelectric Project Water Quality Certification SCH# 2005082122

Dear Ms. Stohrer:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the above-referenced document. In addition to the records search and archaeological surveys reviewed for this report, the Commission recommends the following actions be taken to fully assess the specific related project impacts on cultural resources:

- To enable the Native American Heritage Commission to complete a Sacred Lands File search of the project area, please provide U.S.G.S. location information for the project site, including Quadrangle, Township, Section, and Range.
- I am enclosing a list of Native Americans with cultural resource ties to the project area. Given the highly sensitive nature of this project, the number of known cultural resources that could be impacted, and the federal requirement to fully address Native Americans' concerns, we recommend that you contact all tribes and individuals listed.
- Lead agencies should consider avoidance, as defined in Section 15370 of the CEQA Guidelines, when significant cultural resources are that could be affected.
 - Lead agencies should include in their mitigation plan provisions for the disposition of recovered artifacts, in consultation with culturally affiliated Native Americans.
 - Lead agencies should include provisions for discovery of Native American human remains and cemeteries in their mitigation plans. Health and Safety Code §7050.5, CEQA §15064.5 (e), and Public Resources Code §5097.98 mandates the process to be followed in the event of an accidental discovery of any human remains in a location other than a dedicated cemetery.

Sincerely,

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